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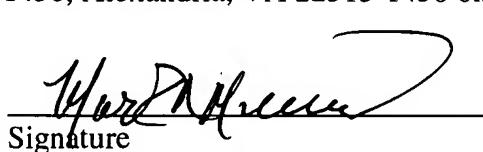
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Title: MANUFACTURING CONDUITS FOR USE IN PLACING A TARGET  
VESSEL IN FLUID COMMUNICATION WITH A SOURCE OF BLOOD

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Dear Sir:

This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 02, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows: